



## VOLUNTARY YEAR IN MONUMENT CONSERVATION

For anyone looking for an internship, planning to study, start an apprenticeship, or try something new: We are a placement site of the Jugendbauhütte Baden-Württemberg and offer a voluntary year in monument conservation. It not only provides insight into our exciting areas of work but also gives you the opportunity to gain both practical and theoretical experience.

Read more here: [FSJ/BFD Denkmalpflege](#)

### About us

Our company specializes in conservation – especially of historical architectural surfaces, paintings, sculptures, and frames – as well as gilding and custom framing. We are a diverse team of around 10 people, including gilders, craft conservators, and academic conservators from various fields, working on a wide range of projects. This allows us to provide a comprehensive insight into the field of conservation.

Our clients include the state offices for monument preservation in Baden-Württemberg and Rhineland-Palatinate, as well as institutions, foundations, regional churches, and private individuals. Work takes place at our two locations (Neuhofen/Pfalz and Mannheim) and on changing construction sites.

### Requirements:

- Minimum age: 18 years
- Completion of compulsory full-time schooling
- Commitment to work and willingness to learn
- Careful and responsible work ethic
- Good manual skills
- Flexibility, teamwork, and reliability
- Comfortable working at heights (we often work on scaffolding and ladders)
- Interest in art and cultural history
- Accommodation in the Mannheim area is recommended

### Your responsibilities:

- Working as part of a team in the conservation and restoration of historical architectural surfaces (e.g., stucco) and gilded or decorative surfaces (e.g., picture frames)
- Independent execution of tasks, both in the workshop and on-site, after initial training
- Introduction to materials, historical techniques, and potential conservation and restoration strategies
- Hands-on experience with documentation techniques, including inventory, mapping, and research

### Conditions:

- Duration: usually 12 months
- Start date: September 1 each year
- You will receive pocket money, a food allowance, and a fixed accommodation subsidy
- Social security coverage is included
- You will participate in six weeks of seminars organized by Jugendbauhütte and receive 26 vacation days

### Application:

Applications for a Voluntary Social Year in Monument Conservation (FSJD) are managed centrally by ijgd – International Youth Community Services:

[ijgd International Youth Community Services](#)

For more information, please contact the 'ijgd Jugendbauhütte' in Esslingen, which is responsible for Baden-Württemberg:

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